

# Exhibit 7



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1. Total requests filed since start of *inter partes* reexam on 11/29/99..... 1389<sup>1</sup>
2. Number of filings by discipline
 

a. Chemical Operation	250	18%
b. Electrical Operation	722	52%
c. Mechanical Operation	401	29%
d. Design Patents	16	1%
3. Annual Reexam Filings
 

<u>Fiscal Yr.</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Fiscal Yr.</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Fiscal Yr.</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Fiscal Yr.</u>	<u>No.</u>
2000	0	2003	21	2006	70	2009	258
2001	1	2004	27	2007	126	2010	281
2002	4	2005	59	2008	168	2011	374
4. Number known to be in litigation.....974.....70%
5. Decisions on requests ..... 1246
  - a. No. granted ..... 1187.....95%
    - (1) By examiner ..... 1178
    - (2) By Director (on petition) ..... 9
  - b. No. not granted ..... 59.....5%
    - (1) By examiner ..... 54
    - (2) Reexam vacated ..... 5
6. Overall reexamination pendency (Filing date to certificate issue date)
  - a. Average pendency ..... 36.2 (mos.)
  - b. Median pendency ..... 32.9 (mos.)
7. Total *inter partes* reexamination certificates issued (1999 - present) ..... 305
  - a. Certificates with all claims confirmed ..... 35 ..... 11%
  - b. Certificates with all claims canceled (or disclaimed) ..... 133 ..... 44%
  - c. Certificates with claims changes ..... 137 ..... 45%

<sup>1</sup>Of the requests received in FY 2011, 3 requests have not yet been accorded a filing date, and 5 requests have had preprocessing terminated, for failure to comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.915. See Clarification of Filing Date Requirements for *Ex Parte* and *Inter Partes* Reexamination Proceedings, Final Rule, 71 Fed. Reg. 44219 (August 4, 2006).